CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA
JUNE 1, 2021 - CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL
Mayor Pro Tem Waterfield called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL:
MEMBERS PRESENT:
Mayor Alice Patino (via teleconference), Councilmember Mike Cordero, Councilmember Carlos Escobedo, and Councilmember Etta Waterfield

MEMBERS ABSENT:
Councilmember Gloria Soto

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:
City Manager Stilwell, City Attorney Watson, Director of Utilities Springer, and Chief Deputy City Clerk White (for roll call only).

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD
There were no requests to speak.

RECESS - CLOSED SESSION
Mayor Pro Tem Waterfield recessed to a Closed Session at 5:03 p.m. for:

1. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION** pursuant to Subdivision (e)(1) of Government Code Section 54956.9. One potential case.

INVOCATION
Father Kang of St. Peter's Episcopal Church gave the Invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
Councilmember Cordero led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL:
Mayor Pro Tem Waterfield reconvened the meeting and called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL:
MEMBERS PRESENT:
Mayor Alice Patino (via teleconference), Councilmember Mike Cordero, Councilmember Carlos Escobedo, and Councilmember Etta Waterfield

MEMBERS ABSENT:
Councilmember Gloria Soto

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:
City Manager Jason Stilwell, City Attorney Thomas Watson, Director of Finance Mary Harvey, Director of Public Works/City Engineer Kevin McCune, Director of Community Development Chuen Ng, Chief of Police Marc Schneider, Director of Utilities Shad Springer, Fire Chief Todd Tuggle, Community Programs Manager Rosie Rojo, and Chief Deputy City Clerk Rhonda White

CLOSED SESSION REPORT: CITY ATTORNEY
City Attorney Watson announced that instructions were provided to Counsel with regard to the Closed Session item.

1 PROCLAMATIONS
There were no Proclamations.

2 PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD
Terri Zuniga commented on the recent retirement of Bruce Corsaw, past-Executive Director of SEIU. She introduced the new Executive Director, Darryl Scheck.

3 CONSENT CALENDAR
Councilmember Escobedo requested that Item 3L (Utilities connection for Pacific Petroleum California) be pulled for discussion and asked if there was any concern about the existing well on the site. Utilities Director Springer responded that the issue with the existing well is the concentration of nitrates.

Connecting their existing water system to the City system does not have a risk of contamination because the City requires the use of backflow devices to prevent contamination of the City's water system.

Consent Calendar Items 3A-3L were approved as presented, including the adoption of Resolution Nos. 2021-54, 2021-55, 2021-56, 2021-57, 2021-58, 2021-59, 2021-60, 2021-61, and 2021-62. The recorded vote appears with each item below.

A. Waive the reading in full of all Ordinances and Resolutions. Ordinances on the Consent Agenda will be adopted by the same vote cast at the first meeting, unless City Council indicates otherwise.

Action: Readings waived.
Moved by Councilmember Cordero, seconded by Councilmember Escobedo. Motion carried. Absent: Councilmember Soto. 4-0.

B. Approve the Minutes of the regular City Council meeting of May 18, 2021.

Action: Minutes from May 18, 2021, meeting approved as presented.
Moved by Councilmember Cordero, seconded by Councilmember Escobedo. Motion carried. Absent: Councilmember Soto. 4-0.

C. Adopt a Resolution declaring certain parcels of land located in Downtown and owned by the City of Santa Maria as surplus land.

Action: Parcels of land in the Downtown declared as surplus land.
Moved by Councilmember Cordero, seconded by Councilmember Escobedo. Motion carried. Adopted as Resolution No. 2021-54. Absent: Councilmember Soto. 4-0.

D. Adopt a Resolution approving the minor amendment to the Annual Action Plan for Fiscal Year 2021-22 to adjust the City's entitlement amount under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program.

Action: Minor amendment to CDBG Annual Action Plan approved.
Moved by Councilmember Cordero, seconded by Councilmember Escobedo. Motion carried. Adopted as Resolution No. 2021-55. Absent: Councilmember Soto. 4-0.

E. Payment of Warrants. Ordered ratified subject to having been certified as being in conformity with the budget and having been approved for payment by the Director of Finance.

Action: Warrants ratified.
Moved by Councilmember Escobedo, seconded by Councilmember Cordero. Motion carried. Absent: Councilmember Soto. 4-0.

F. Payment of Payroll. Ordered ratified subject to having been certified by the proper Department Directors, as shown on records on file in the Department of Finance, and having been approved for payment by the Director of Finance.

Action: Payroll ratified.
Moved by Councilmember Cordero, seconded by Councilmember Escobedo. Motion carried. Absent: Councilmember Soto. 4-0.

G. Adopt a Resolution approving a Professional Services Agreement with Plante Moran to create a Request for Proposal (RFP) for a new Municipal Enterprise Resources Planning (ERP) System.

Action: Agreement with Plante Moran approved.
Moved by Councilmember Escobedo, seconded by Councilmember Cordero. Motion carried. Adopted as Resolution No. 2021-56. Absent: Councilmember Soto. 4-0.

H. Adopt a Resolution approving a Professional Services Agreement with HDR Engineering, Inc., to develop a Santa Maria Area Transit (SMAT) Zero-Emission Bus (ZEB) Rollout Plan.

Action: HDR Engineering agreement approved.
Moved by Councilmember Cordero, seconded by Councilmember Escobedo. Motion carried. Adopted as Resolution No. 2021-57. Absent: Councilmember Soto. 4-0.

I. Adopt a Resolution approving an agreement with Raminha Construction, Inc., for the award of Bid No. 2021/02, Santa Maria Regional Landfill Cell 1 Extension Composite Liner Construction Project.

Action: Agreement with Raminha Construction for Bid No. 2021/02 approved.
Moved by Councilmember Cordero, seconded by Councilmember Escobedo. Motion carried. Adopted as Resolution No. 2021-58. Absent: Councilmember Soto. 4-0.

J. Adopt Resolutions approving:
1) the receipt of FY 2020/2021 Low Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP) grant funding and authorizing the execution of the Certifications and Assurances and agent forms for the Fleet Electrification & Infrastructure Project and the Youth SMAT Hancock Bus Pass Program; and

2) the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Allan Hancock College for the SMAT Hancock Bus Pass Program.

Action: LCTOP grant funding and MOU with Allan Hancock College approved.
Moved by Councilmember Cordero, seconded by Councilmember Escobedo. Motion carried. Adopted as Resolution Nos. 2021-59 and 2021-60, respectively. Absent: Councilmember Soto. 4-0.

K. Accept a recommendation from the Planning Commission and adopt a Resolution designating the Smith-Enos house located at 1851 South Bradley Road as a Historic Landmark (LM-14).

Action: Smith-Enos house designated as a City historic landmark LM-14.
Moved by Councilmember Cordero, seconded by Councilmember Escobedo. Motion carried. Adopted as Resolution No. 2021-61. Absent: Councilmember Soto. 4-0.

L. Adopt a Resolution approving an Agreement for Utility Connection and Service Outside of City Boundaries with Pacific Petroleum California, Inc., to permit connection for service of potable (domestic) water to 1615 East Betteravia Road.

Action: Agreement with Pacific Petroleum California, Inc. for utility connection and service outside of City Boundaries.
Moved by Councilmember Cordero, seconded by Councilmember Escobedo. Motion carried. Adopted as Resolution No. 2021-62 Absent: Councilmember Soto. 4-0.

4 PRESENTATION

A. The City Council received a presentation on Downtown Fridays for 2021 by Ed Carcarey, event organizer for Downtown Fridays. The event will run every Friday night through October 29th.

5 PUBLIC HEARING

A. **REPEAL OF EMPLOYEE HOUSING ORDINANCE.** The City Council considered repealing portions of Ordinance No. 2019-04 amending multiple sections of Title 12 of the Santa Maria Municipal Code for the following: 1) defining employee housing and 2) adding employee housing as an allowed use in select residential districts. Director of Community Development Ng gave a presentation as detailed in the Council Agenda Report.

Public input
Mayor Pro Tem Waterfield opened the public hearing at 6:03 p.m.

Written comment was received from Carmen Spoerer urging the City Council to leave the H2A housing ordinance in place.

Claire Wineman, of the Grower-Shipper Association, thanked the City Council for their consideration of the item and said she hoped to continue the long-standing relationship between the City and local farming groups.

Mayor Pro Tem Waterfield closed the public hearing at 6:05 p.m.

Action: The Ordinance was not introduced.
Moved by Councilmember Cordero, seconded by Councilmember Waterfield. Ordinance failed to be introduced. 2-2. Noes: Mayor Patino and Councilmember Escobedo; Absent: Councilmember Soto.

6 REGULAR BUSINESS

A. **REPORT ON FIREWORKS ENFORCEMENT.** The City Council received a report regarding Fireworks in the City of Santa Maria. City Attorney Watson gave a presentation as detailed in the Council Agenda Report. The City of Santa Maria will not be hosting a fireworks show this year.

Public input
Written comment was received from Carey Runzel Oberly expressing concern about the heavy use of fireworks in the City around July 4th every year.

Action: Report received and filed.

REPORT BY CITY MANAGER
City Manager Stilwell reported that the next regular City Council meeting would be June 15. Items on the agenda would include two Public Hearings; a Regular Business item; an item to cancel the July 6th City Council meeting; and a COVID update.

ORAL REPORTS OF COUNCILMEMBERS AND OFFICERS (INCLUDING AB1234 REPORTS)
Councilmember Cordero reported he attended a couple of Memorial Day gatherings.

Councilmember Waterfield had no reportable AB1234 meetings.

Councilmember Escobedo reported he attended a State of Education Forum and a Salvation Army Board meeting.

Mayor Patino reported she attended the California Cities Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery funds webinar; the SBCAG Monthly Board meeting; and an APCD Board meeting.

ADJOURNMENT
There being no further business before the City Council, Mayor Pro Tem Waterfield declared the City Council meeting adjourned at 6:24 p.m.

Approved at a regular meeting on June 15, 2021.

Rhonda M. White, CMC
Chief Deputy City Clerk and ex officio Clerk
of the City Council

ATTEST:

6/17/2021

Rhonda M. White, CMC
Chief Deputy City Clerk

Alice M. Patino
Mayor of the City of Santa Maria